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Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated **October 18, 2007** ("the Action"), Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks, provided in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all of the claims:
 - in ascending order;
 - with status identifiers; and
 - with markings in the currently amended claims;
- (C) Starting on a separate sheet, the Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided with this electronic filing. However, if additional fees are due for net addition of claims, or if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-3994.